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Camping period and Leatherback season in full swing on Eagle Beach

ORANJESTAD -- Aruba's beaches are crowded these days. A lot of people enjoying Easter Holidays, local people camping and three different Leatherback females nesting on Eagle Beach. So far there are 6 nests. It is likely that in the coming weeks more nests will follow.

Some years ago during the camping period a huge Leatherback Sea turtle emerged from the sea by day time. She looked for a suitable nesting spot in between the tents. Normally sea turtles "dig the dark", so if you are asleep camping out and you hear the sound of loose sand against your tent, take a

look.... it might be a nesting Leatherback! Do not disturb her and please call the Turtle Hotline immediately (+297 5929393).

As soon as the turtle has re-entered the sea, volunteers of Turtugaruba (the local Foundation for the protection of the sea turtles) will place red-and-white barriers around the nest to prevent irresponsible drivers from crushing the eggs and to guarantee a safe incubation period of two months.

D.C. celebrates Emancipation



WASHINGTON, DC - Bay Peters, 20, of the District of Columbia attempts to control large balloons filled with helium in high winds during the Emancipation Day parade April 16, 2014 in Washington, DC. A public holiday in nation's capital, April 16, 1862, is the date President Abraham Lincoln signed the Compensated Emancipation Act for the release of certain persons held to service or labor in the District of Columbia. The Act freed about 3,100 enslaved persons in DC nine months before Lincoln issued his famous Emancipation Proclamation.

Controversy over this year's parade stemmed from the question of who would be paying for the parade and celebration. Though money was set aside in this year's budget to pay for the parade, members of the D.C. Council asked Mayor Vincent Gray to pony up additional funds to help pay for overtime for local law enforcement that help keep the parade safe. Yesterday's celebration marked 152 years since slavery was abolished in the D.C.

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Department of Education launches the book "Leren van Aruba"

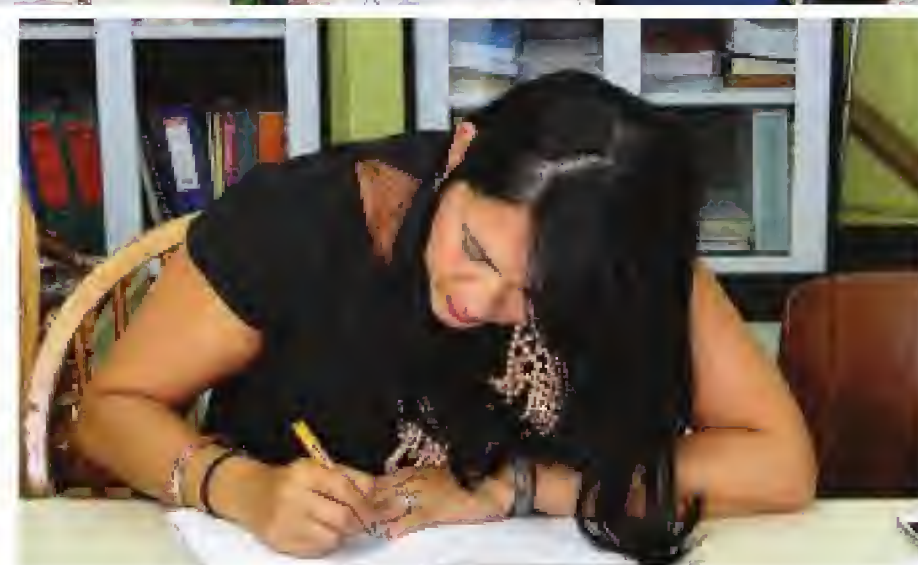


ORANJESTAD -- Recently, the Department of Education presented to Minister of Education, Michelle Hooyboer-Winklaar and local teachers the first copy of the book "Leren van Aruba" - Learning from Aruba.

These teachers, from the very beginning, were very much involved with the project "de leraar in de driver's seat" - "the teachers in

the driver's seat". After school hours, the group meets twice a month to create a network to further professionalize themselves and their colleagues in their occupation as teachers.

The book is about the network education and the project 'the teachers in the driver's seat,' which was launched from Novem-



ber 2010 to September 2012. All the project experiences of this network education are described in this book. The red line of the book gives the picture: interviews with teachers, headmasters, and other in-

dividuals involved in the project. They all elaborate on their experience with and expectations of network education. Besides that, numerous handy tips were added on: how to start your own network, how to give workshops in network education and how fully exploit a network.

Minister Hooyboer-Winklaar inscribed a copy of the book for each of the educators who were present. In return, each of the educators signed her copy as well.

The project was possible thanks to the collaboration of the Dutch Ministry of Education; execution of the project was done by LOOK in conjunction with the Aruba Ministries of Justice and Education.

All primary level teachers (Preparatory education, Basic and Special) will receive a copy of this book to bring network education to a lasting form of professionalism, an extra stimulus for Aruba.

For more information please visit the website Enseñansa Aruba | www.ea.aw. To stay informed on the latest news in island education, go to their Face book page face-



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Foundation Mi Por receives substantial donation from Barney's Restaurant

ORANJESTAD – During the month of November and December, Barney's Restaurant in Palm Beach conducted several events, among them a fundraising lottery and benefit concerts for a worthy local foundation. Owners of Barney's, Eline and Ron, decided to donate the proceeds to MI POR,

which is dedicated to providing physical, developmental and social therapy for children with Cerebral Palsy.

The donation, a whopping Afl. 4,000.25, will assist with daily health care expenses, doctors and educational campaigns to instill the value of understanding

and tolerance towards children with physical limitations.

According to Ron and Eline, they first heard of MI POR through the very nice swimming instructors Hans, Anjo, Geert and Jaap. For the past five years, they donate their time every Saturday to

give these children swimming classes. They range from those with slight physical limitations while others use a wheelchair.

The donation ceremony took place at Barney's Restaurant in presence of the swim instructors and one of



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their pupils, Ivathia and her parents.

Afterwards, they all enjoyed a succulent dinner prepared by Barney's accomplished chef.

MI POR foundation extends its heartfelt gratitude towards everyone who, in one way or the other, helped to make these fundraisers a success. The foundation also extends it thanks to the swim instructors who are always willing to help the children.

Last but not least, a BIG thank you from MI POR goes to Rob and Elaine for their initiative and kind hearts.

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La Vista's wide-

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table dessert station with a chocolate fountain and much more. To top it off the brunch includes complimentary mimosas and champagne.

During the brunch the Easter Bunny will be present to join the egg hunt and spend time with the kids. There will also be live music for entertainment.

The Easter Sunday Brunch at La Vista can be enjoyed at a price of \$42.00 per person. Kids between 6 and 12 years eat for half of the price and kids 5 years and under eat free. For reservations call La Vista at 520 6601.

The staff of La Vista invites everyone to come and have a memorable Easter Sunday



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LOCAL NEWS

Aruba's Anti-Drug Foundation - F.A.D.A. - shares some preventive camping tips

ORANJESTAD – FADA is an island foundation dedicated to the prevention of substance abuse, and providing free counseling for those in need of assistance. They are particularly concerned about raising awareness during this week of "Semana Santa" when camping on the beach for days and socializing until all hours of the day and night is

prevalent.

During this time, many of the community, particularly impressionable teenagers, can easily indulge in recreational substance abuse, especially alcohol, which establishes bad habits and is detrimental to the family and the entire Aruban community, disrupting the social fabric.

According to FADA, prevention starts at

home! Parents are the role models for their children. We as parents can talk with our children and behave in a manner we could hope they emulate, but if parents behave badly, they set an example their children will likely follow. Alcohol use and abuse is so instilled in islanders that we think a celebration without alcohol is not complete.

So, during this camping season FADA wants to suggest some helpful tips to celebrate this Easter season without regrets. Remember, the decision is on our hands as to the next generations future successes and handicaps.

FADA asserts we do not need alcohol and drugs to celebrate any event, and people prove this every day. These

substances can lead a person to along a path of bad decisions, which can then irretrievably hinder their lives. A live dependent on substance abuse attracts many dangerous situations where, regrettably, innocent person are frequently the victim, especially child neglect, or the very young getting a hold of their parents' or siblings' "stash".

During this Easter

camping season, many youngsters are introduced to alcohol, marijuana and other illegal substances at far too young an age to make wise decisions, which can be disastrous for themselves, their families and the whole community. Many future problems and tragic circumstance can be avoided by following these simple tips:

Following are a few tips that FADA wants to share:

1. Make sure that you know who is your camping neighbor
2. Do not let minors alone without supervision
3. Do not offer minors alcoholic drinks
4. As parent, be a good example for your kids
5. Prior to going camping, have a meeting at home to lay out the camping rules
6. Make sure you have enough water
7. Respect police orders
8. Remember that sun and alcohol do not mix
9. Always have a fully stocked first aid kit on hand
10. Always be aware of the place to go to if something causing injury happens; the Red Cross will maintain stations at several popular camping spots
11. Make sure to have recreational activities for the kid during the day and night
12. Make sure that there is enough supervision for the children
13. If you drink, do not drive

When using alcohol or drugs you can encounter the following situations:

1. Intoxication
2. Aggression
3. Problems with family members, the justice system and your health
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8. The possibility of drowning
9. Put other lives in danger due to impaired judgement



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Bloomberg arms US gun control with \$50 mn

NEW YORK (AFP) - Former New York mayor Michael Bloomberg announced plans Wednesday to spend \$50 million this year on the fight to tighten gun control laws and counter America's powerful gun lobby.

Bloomberg's money will help bankroll a new campaign to reduce gun violence across the United States and the billionaire philanthropist hopes the initiative can eventually outdo the might of the National Rifle Association (NRA).

The creation of "Everytown for Gun Safety" comes after Congress failed to pass a hotly contested gun control law last year, despite a series of mass shootings that shocked the nation.

The impasse came in the face of stiff opposition by the NRA and other gun groups, which mounted a successful counter-campaign and warned members that the US government was determined to take guns away.

"This is the beginning of a major new campaign to reduce the gun violence that plagues communities across the country," said Bloomberg, who will chair Everytown for Gun Safety.

It is a coalition of Mayors Against Illegal Guns, co-founded by Bloomberg, and Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense in America, which was set up after a 20-

year-old man shot dead 20 first-grade pupils and six staff in December 2012.

It calls itself the largest gun violence prevention organization in the United States, where Bloomberg says shootings kill 86 Americans every day.

The group will press for change in Washington and bring the fight for tighter gun laws to states, corporate boards, and state and federal elections, areas where the gun lobby is strong.

It announced that it will back candidates and legislation, and raise awareness about guns in schools, domestic violence, child access to guns, suicide and the other ways that gun violence affects Americans.

Bloomberg said he plans to spend at least \$50 million this year through Everytown's educational and advocacy efforts and through personal expenditures.

Events were to take place nationwide Wednesday to launch a "Gun Sense Voter" campaign and the organization hopes to raise its 1.5 million supporters to 2.5 million this year.

"This new organization will bring more people into the fight against gun violence, which affects every town in America," said Bloomberg.

Russia must stop supporting 'terrorist activities' in Ukraine: Kiev

GENEVA (AFP) - Ukraine will demand that Russia cease its support for "terrorist activities" on its territory, the Ukrainian foreign minister said Wednesday on the eve of crunch talks with Moscow, the US and EU.

"Our main demand is to de-escalate the situation in eastern Ukraine. We want Russia to withdraw the troops from the eastern borders of Ukraine. We want Russia not to support terrorist activities in eastern Ukraine," Foreign

Minister Andriy Deshchytsya said after he landed in Geneva for Thursday's meeting.

Kiev has accused Moscow of dispatching barely-covert special forces to Ukraine's Russified east and south to marshal pro-Russian militants into confronting authorities and destabilising the country.

Russia has also massed tens of thousands of troops on Ukraine's border.

Deshchytsya set out a string of other demands for

Moscow as tensions between the two neighbours soared.

Russia seized the Russified Ukrainian peninsula of Crimea in March, weeks after the ouster in Kiev of pro-Moscow Ukrainian leader Viktor Yanukovich following four months of pro-European protests.

Moscow repeatedly has argued that it needed to protect ethnic Russians from Ukrainian nationalists, but Kiev rejects that.

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Islamists abducts 100+ girls from Nigeria school

MAIDUGURI (AFP) - The Nigerian schoolgirls kidnapped by Boko Haram were taken to a stronghold of the Islamist group, parents said Wednesday, as the security forces pressed on with a search to find the hostages.

The mass abduction of more than 100 girls by gunmen in the northeastern state of Borno late Monday came just hours after a bomb ripped through a packed bus station on the outskirts of Abuja, killing 75 people, the deadliest attack ever in the capital.

The bombing was also blamed on Boko Haram, a group whose five-year extremist uprising has shaken Africa's most populous country and top economy.

Three girls who escaped and returned to Borno's Chibok area briefed locals about the attack at the home of the area's tribal chief on Wednesday, said Lawal Zanna, whose daughter was among those abducted.

"The girls told us they were taken to the Konduga district part of Sambisa forest by their captors," said Zanna, referring to an area where Boko Haram is known to have well-fortified camps.

His account was supported by two other Chibok residents who asked that their names be withheld.

The girls said they ran after getting permission from the gunmen to use the bathroom and were helped

back to Chibok by nomadic herdsman from the Fulani ethnic group.

"My daughter is not among the three lucky girls but their escape and the news on the whereabouts of the other girls has given me more hope," Zanna told AFP.

Borno's Governor Kashim Shettima told journalists that 14 of the hostages had escaped so far and offered 50 million naira (\$300,000, 215,000 euros) to anyone with information that leads to the others being rescued.

Shettima voiced outrage at Boko Haram, a group which says it wants to create a strict Islamic state in northern Nigeria.

"In Islam, women and children are spared during war," Shettima said.

The gunmen stormed the Government Girls Secondary School after sundown, torching several buildings before opening fire on security forces guarding the school.

Boko Haram, whose name means "Western education is forbidden", has repeatedly attacked schools and universities in an insurgency that has killed thousands of people since 2009.

The United Nations children's organisation (UNICEF) condemned the attack "in the strongest possible terms", and urged Nigeria "to urgently take steps to make sure that the children are returned to their families".



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Six dead, 290 missing in South Korea ferry sinking



JINDO (AFP) - South Korean rescuers and dive teams worked frantically under floodlights as fears rose for nearly 300 people missing after a ferry sank Wednesday with 462 on board, mostly high school students bound for a holiday island. National disaster agency officials said 174 people had been rescued, leaving 284 "unaccounted for". There were four confirmed deaths, including a female crew member and a student. There are concerns the death toll could rise sharply. The 6,825-tonne Sewol listed violently, capsized and finally sank -- all within two hours of sending a distress signal at 9:00am. Dramatic television footage showed terrified passengers wearing life jackets clambering into inflatable boats with water lapping over the rails of the vessel as it sank 20 kilometres (13 miles) off the southern island of Byungpoong. Some slid down the steeply inclined side of the ferry and into the water as rescuers, including the crew of what appeared to be a small fishing boat, pulled them to safety. As night fell the coastguard said the rescue operation was continuing using floodlights and underwater flares.

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HEALTH & LIVING

Brazil star kicks off HIV prevention

GENEVA (AFP) - The UN's AIDS body said Wednesday it had appointed Brazilian football star David Luiz to help rally fans to join efforts to prevent the spread of HIV ahead of the World Cup.

UNAIDS said it had named the Brazilian vice captain as its "International Goodwill Ambassador" in a bid to "mobilise football fans around the world, particularly young people," to join its efforts to stymie the spread of HIV and root out discrimination of people living with the virus that leads to AIDS.

UNAIDS chief Michel Sidibe said he was convinced Luiz would "make a big difference reaching out to millions of young people," pointing out that with the player's homeland hosting the World Cup in June, "everyone's eyes will be on Brazil and David will be an inspiration both on and off the pitch."

"In football, players come together to produce results. In the same way we must



unite and as a team get to zero new HIV infections," he said.

Luiz, who also plays professionally for English Premier League club Chelsea, said he was honoured by his appointment, adding he wanted to "use this position to spread the word about how to overcome AIDS around the world."

Of the estimated 35.3 million people living with HIV around the world, some 5.4 million are 10 to 24 years old, and many of them do not know they are carry-

ing the virus, according to UNAIDS.

Around 780,000 people aged between 15 and 24 contract the virus each year.

Goat to be cloned to treat rare genetic disorder

BRASILIA (AFP) - Scientists in Brazil have genetically modified a goat to produce milk with an enzyme to treat a rare genetic disorder, O Estado de Sao Paulo newspaper reported Tuesday.

The goat, named "Gluca," is the first of its kind in South America. It has been genetically modified to produce the enzyme glucocerebrosidase.

Gaucher's disease is a rare human genetic condition caused by hereditary deficiency of that enzyme.

People with Gaucher's -- which can manifest itself with fatigue, bruising, anemia, low blood platelets and an enlarged liver and spleen -- often are treated with drugs and bone marrow transplants but still face pain and often poor long-range health prospects.

Brazil, where about 600 patients are affected, imports \$113 million a year in drugs to treat them, according to the newspaper.

"It is cheaper to feed goats than to feed cell lines. And purifying the protein (for use in treatment) is ba-

sically the same," said researcher Luciana Bertolini at the University of Fortaleza in the northeast, where the goat was cloned.

Gluca was born March 27. She should start producing milk about four months from now. "We need to see how much of the protein she is producing and test its effectiveness," said Bertolini.

If all goes well, and her milk has a high content of glucocerebrosidase, scientists plan to clone her so that identical animals can produce the protein on a larger scale.

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Miley Cyrus hospitalized, cancels US concert

Los Angeles (AFP) - Pop star Miley Cyrus has been hospitalized and has had to cancel a concert in the US state of Missouri, the venue said.

"Cyrus has been hospitalized for a severe allergic reaction to antibiotics and has been placed on medical rest by her doctors," said a statement from the Sprint Center in Kansas City.

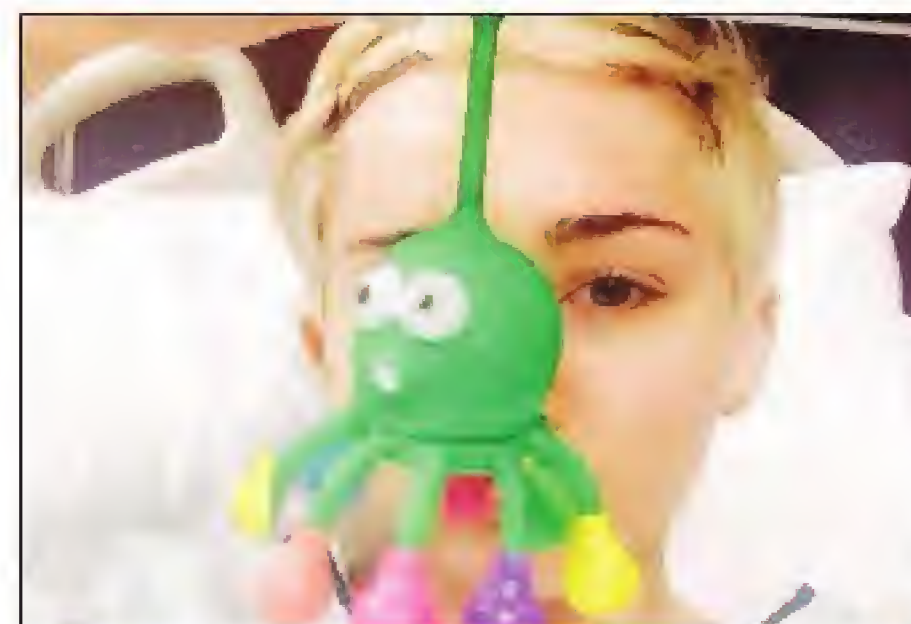
"She will not be able to perform as scheduled."

Cyrus herself tweeted a message to fans from her hospital bed, apologizing for the canceled concert. "Kansas I promise I'm as heartbroken as you are. I wanted to badly 2 b there 2night," she wrote.

"Not being with yall makes me feel s---tier than I already do."

A follow-up tweet included a photo of the singer in a hospital gown, with a toy octopus partially covering her face. "Mr. Octopussy & some amazing Drs are taking good care of me," she wrote alongside the pic.

Cyrus has been under the weather for a few days now. On Monday, April 14, she tweeted, "I woke up like dissss #SICK," followed by a message several hours later reading, "Fever fever go away." She has also been dealing with the grief of losing her beloved dog Floyd on April 1.



Dead star's brothers to finish 'Fast and Furious 7'



LOS ANGELES (AFP) - Late "Fast and Furious" star Paul Walker's brothers will stand in for him to complete the seventh movie in the blockbuster franchise, after the actor's death, filmmakers said Tuesday. Walker had completed much of his part in filming "Fast and Furious 7" before he died in November in a high-speed car crash in California. His brothers Caleb and Cody will replace him to finish shooting for the film, due next year. Walker played Brian O'Conner, an undercover federal agent. "Our family experienced an unthinkable shock in November. We had to take time to grieve Paul, who love and lost, and to figure out if we should move on with our film," said a statement on the film's Facebook page. The film is due to be released on April 10, 2015 in the United States.

Mila Kunis, Ashton Kutcher Having a Girl!



Ashton Kutcher will soon be outnumbered 2-to-1 in his household -- because his pregnant fiancée, Mila Kunis, is expecting a baby girl.

Ecstatic for impending fatherhood, "Ashton is doting on Mila," another friend notes of the reformed party boy, who's already lining up playdates with the couple's old '70s Show costar Danny Masterson and Fianna, his 2-month-old daughter.

Although Kunis has remained completely mum about her pregnancy, the evidence was undeniable at this past Sunday's MTV Movie Awards, where her baby bump was obvious (and adorable!) in a loose-fitting black Thakoon dress.



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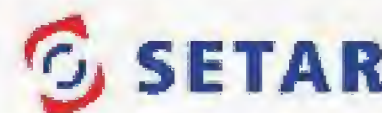
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SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

Samsung looks to life beyond the smartphone

SEOUL (AFP) - After years of record profit growth, tech giant Samsung Electronics looks to be at a commercial crossroads as it searches for a new growth driver to counter slowing sales of its phenomenally successful smartphones.

Alarm bells have been sounding for a while over Samsung's reliance on smartphone sales in increasingly mature markets such as Europe and the United States, and increasingly competitive emerging markets like China.

The world's largest smartphone maker has a diverse product line ranging from memory chips to home appliances, but more than half its profits are generated by mobile devices.

Last week, Samsung said it was on track for a second consecutive quarter of year-on-year profit decline, and its stock price fell nearly 10 percent in 2013 -- the first annual drop in five years.

Last Friday saw the global roll-out of the latest version of the flagship Galaxy series smartphone, the S5, whose performance will be closely watched.

While reviews have rated the S5 a top-class product, they note that it offers little in the way of real innovation that would set it apart from previous versions and models offered by competitors such as Apple.

There appears to be a general consensus that smartphone evolution has hit a barrier that will only allow incremental improvements on existing design and technology, rather than market-changing re-invention.

Many see wearable devices -- such as Google Glass -- as the "next big thing". IT research and advisory specialists Gartner Inc. predicts wearable technology will emerge as a \$10 billion dollar industry by as early as 2016.

Samsung's first Internet-enabled smartwatch, introduced last September, was given a lukewarm reception by consumers who disliked its chunky design. A second edition, the Gear 2, was launched in February.

Samsung Electronics certainly has the financial clout

to invest heavily in new technologies with a net cash balance of more than \$50 billion.

At a rare analysts' briefing in November last year, president and chief financial officer Lee Sang-Hoon said

the reserves would be used to fund significant investment in research and development.

Samsung is already making margin concessions with the S5, launching it at a slightly lower price than its

predecessor the S4 and throwing in a premium software bundle estimated at more than \$500.

Nevertheless, Greg Roh at HMC Investment and Securities said they had cut their forecast for Galaxy S5

shipments for the year to 44 million, from the previous estimate of 46 million.

Adding to Samsung's headaches is a continuing series of patent-focused legal battles with arch-rival Apple.

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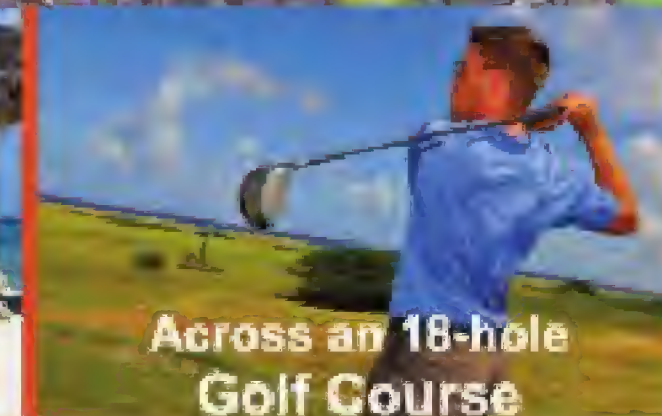
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ECONOMY

GM to seek US court protection from lawsuits

NEW YORK (AFP) - General Motors plans to ask a bankruptcy court to rule that it is protected from lawsuits potentially worth billions of dollars arising from faulty ignitions tied to 13 deaths and numerous crashes.

In a federal court filing, GM said it plans to ask the New York court which oversaw its 2009 bankruptcy to determine whether it can be sued for liabilities arising from the company's operations pre-bankruptcy.

The bankruptcy reorganization, which came after the US government rescued the largest US automaker the previous year, split the company into "Old GM" and "New GM."

The company's filing late Tuesday in Corpus Christi, Texas, said that the bankruptcy court's original restructuring plan made clear that liabilities such as the ignition-switch problem remain with Old GM and that third parties cannot sue New GM for them.

Ignition-switch lawsuits like one filed in the Texas court relate "to a vehicle de-

signed, manufactured, originally sold, and advertised by Old GM; a potentially defective component part allegedly existing in an automobile sold in 2006, before New GM even existed," the company argued.

GM will ask the bankruptcy court for a definitive ruling on the liability of New GM in all ignition cases.

The 2009 bankruptcy decision "has already expressly enjoined third parties... from asserting claims against New GM that remained with Old GM," the company said.

GM wants the Corpus Christi trial halted at any rate so it can consolidate into one all of the lawsuits arising from the faulty ignitions.

It said it expects the bankruptcy court judge to rule it is protected from the suits.

But even if the court rules that New GM is partly liable, its decision will "inevitably narrow and fundamentally alter" the nature of the cases, GM said, more reason to halt the Texas proceedings.

Fed's Janet Yellen: few risks inflation will go much above 2%

NEW YORK (AFP) -- Federal Reserve Chair Janet Yellen said yesterday that inflation is expected to rise slowly from current low levels but not go much beyond the Fed's two percent target.

Price pressure in the US economy remain subdued, she said, in part because of slowing energy price rises and a fall in import prices.

"Longer-run inflation expectations have remained remarkably steady, however," and will slowly push up toward two percent, Yellen said in a speech to The Economic Club of New York.



The Fed "is well aware that inflation could also threaten to rise substantially above two percent. At present, I rate the chances of this happening as significantly below the chances of inflation persisting below two percent," she said.

Detailing the issues facing the Federal Open Market Committee, the Fed's monetary policy body, Yellen said the

group sees that the economy will continue to grow at a "moderate" pace this year.

"The unusually harsh winter weather in much of the nation has complicated this judgment, but my FOMC colleagues and I generally believe that a significant part of the recent softness was weather-related," she said, rather than a material change in growth.

The Fed will keep cutting back its bond-buying stimulus program, she said. But it will keep its benchmark federal funds interest rate at the current low 0-0.25 percent level to help

strengthen growth, as long as unemployment remains high and inflation tame.

Yellen acknowledged that there is continued debate over how strong or weak the jobs market is, after the official unemployment rate has fallen to the current 6.7 percent.

But she made clear she does not take that as fully indicative of the still-significant slack in the market.

She pointed to the low participation rate in the jobs market and the high number of long-term unemployed as reasons that wages continue to be fairly flat.



QINGDAO : Newly-produced cars are parked in a parking lot in SGMW's manufacturing base in Qingdao, east China's Shandong province on April 16, 2014. China's GDP grew at its weakest pace for 18 months in the March quarter, data showed on April 16, testing Beijing's resolve as its campaign to transform the world's number-two economy comes at the cost of a sharp slowdown

(AFP PHOTO)

NEW YORK -- A man uses an ATM at a Bank of America branch on April 16, 2014 in New York City. As the nation's second-largest bank continues to struggle with fallout from the financial crisis, Bank of America reported a \$276 million first-quarter loss Wednesday.

(AFP PHOTO)



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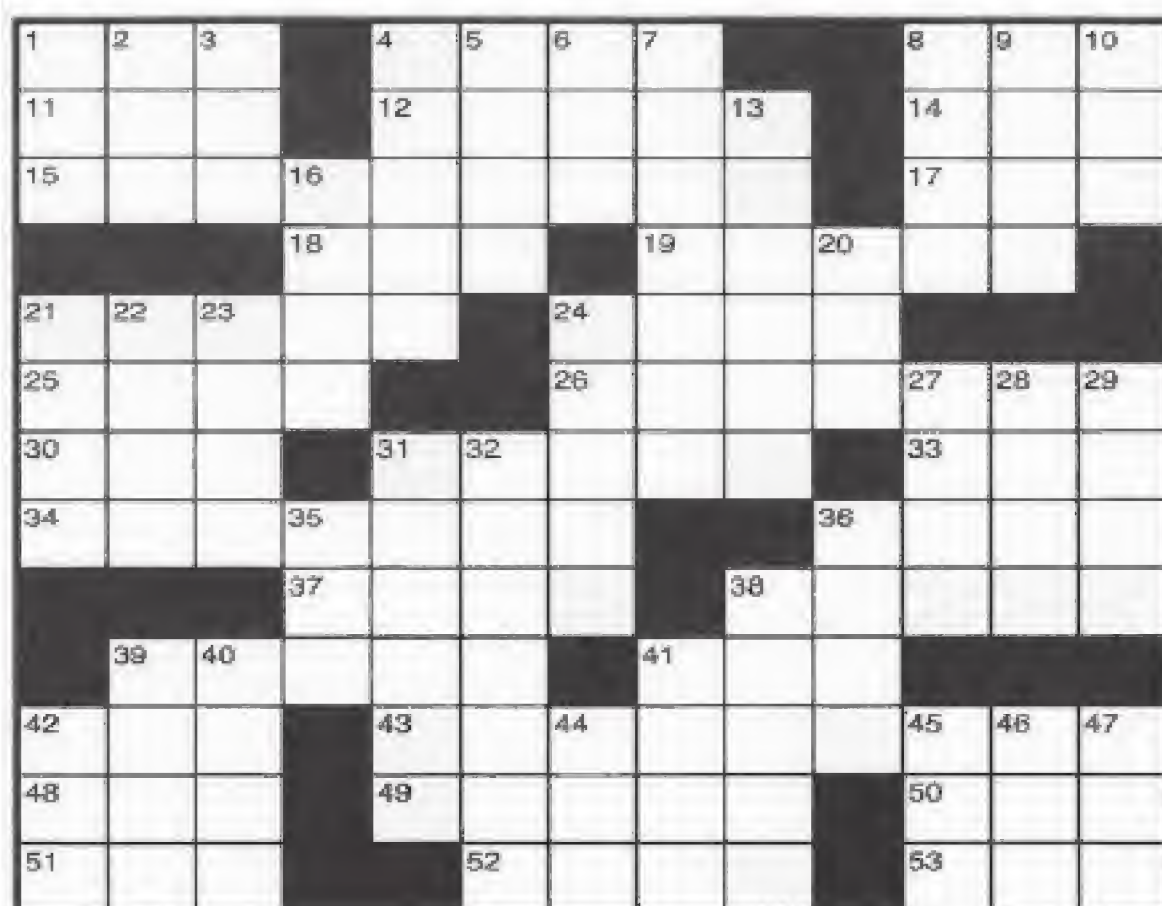
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22. To shelter
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Med nations urge EU partners to step up migration fight

MADRID (AFP) - Seven European Mediterranean nations on Wednesday urged the EU to boost its financial support for member states bearing the brunt of the influx of African migrants in search of a better life.

Migratory pressure pushing across the Mediterranean "is far from diminishing, it is increasing", said foreign ministers from Cyprus, France, Greece, Italy, Malta, Portugal and Spain after an informal meeting in the Spanish port of Alicante.

Tragic scenes of African migrants storming border fences in Spain or drowning off the coast of Italy have pushed the issue of migration from Africa to top of the political agenda in several southern EU member states.

"Intra-EU solidarity with southern member states affected by the massive and disorderly arrival of migration flows, despite their substantial efforts to control their external borders, should include sufficient and effective financial

support from the EU," the ministers said in a joint statement.

Spanish Foreign Minister Jose Manuel Garcia-Margalo said national efforts to prevent Africans from trying to reach Europe illegally "however significant are not sufficient".

The effort has to involve "not only Mediterranean nations but all European Union nations".

Immigration charities estimate between 17,000 and 20,000 migrants have died at sea while trying to reach Europe in the past 20 years, but fighting the phenomenon from both Africa and Europe has proved difficult.

In one of the worst ever Mediterranean migrant tragedies, a boat overloaded with refugees, mostly from strife-torn Somalia and Eritrea, caught fire and capsized last October off the island of Lampedusa.

Some 366 people lost their lives, prompting calls for an overhaul of European migration and asylum policies.

NATO to deploy more forces in eastern Europe: Rasmussen

BRUSSELS (AFP) - NATO said Wednesday it will deploy additional air, sea and land forces in eastern Europe in response to the worsening crisis in Ukraine and will take further action if needed.

The announcement came as Ukrainian and pro-Russian forces faced off and after President Vladimir Putin warned the country was on the brink of civil war, stoking fears of outright Russian intervention.

Rasmussen refused to detail what new forces would be deployed and where, but said they would result in increased air sorties over the Baltic Sea, with additional ships there and in the eastern Mediterranean.

The decision will be im-

plemented "immediately" and "more will follow, if needed, in the weeks and months to come," he added.

As the Ukraine crisis has unfolded, NATO has taken a number of similar steps, with the United States sending fighter aircraft to the Baltic states and Poland to bolster confidence in member countries once ruled by Moscow.

Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania -- which border Russia and have sizeable ethnic Russian populations -- have all sought reassurance, as have Ukraine neighbours Poland and Romania.

Freed from Moscow's Cold War rule with the fall of Communism in the late 1980s, many eastern Europe

states have readily joined NATO.

But Russia, especially under Putin, has regarded NATO's eastward expansion as a direct security threat.

The former Soviet states "are increasingly worried as they see the crisis getting worse by the hour," said one diplomat.

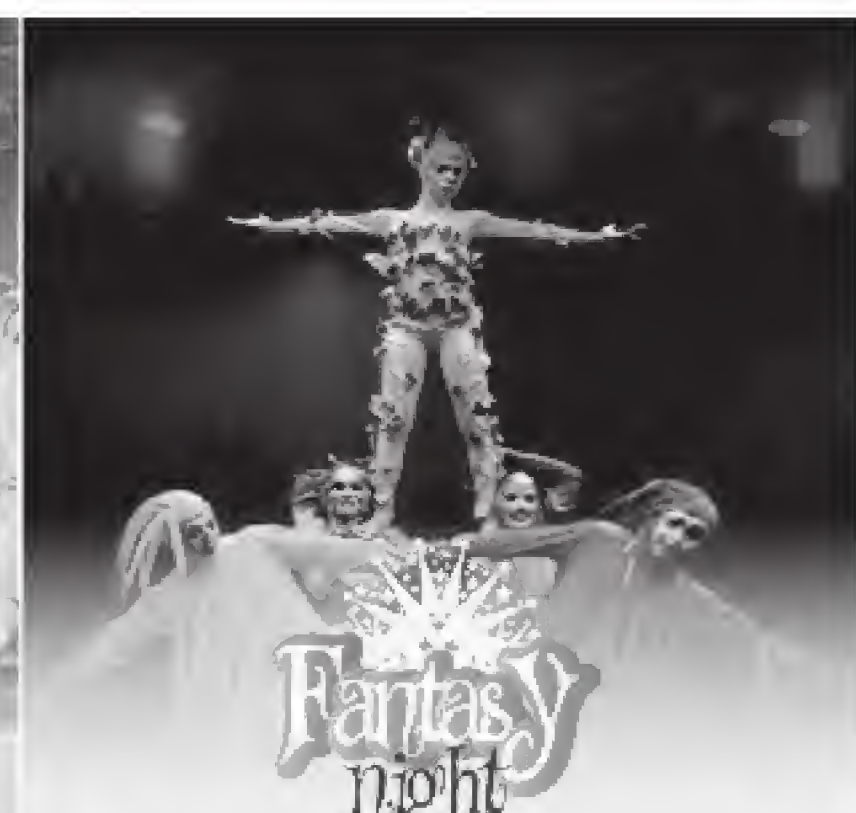
Rasmussen stressed NATO would stand by any ally against any threat, and that the measures announced were entirely in keeping with international law and the alliance's commitment to deterrence.

He also repeated calls for Russia "to be part of the solution, to stop destabilising Ukraine."



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Football: Madrid beat Barcelona to win Copa del Rey

VALENCIA (AFP) - Real Madrid kept alive their hopes of a treble this season as they beat arch-rivals Barcelona 2-1 in the Copa del Rey final on Wednesday.

A superb solo goal by Gareth Bale proved the difference after Barcelona's Marc Bartra had levelled the match at 1-1 midway through the second half, cancelling out Angel Di Maria's opener.

Barcelona star Neymar thought he had brought it back to 2-2 as the match drew to a close but his shot came back off the post and into the hands of grateful Real Madrid 'keeper Iker Casillas.

Real are still in the Champions League -- they play holders Bayern Munich in the semi-finals next week



-- and are second in La Liga, three points behind city rivals Atletico Madrid.

The Welshman had previously been wayward with a series of efforts on goal, but he finally made his mark as he galloped through on goal from inside his own half before prodding the ball past Jose Manuel Pinto.

However, there was to be no late reprieve for Barca as they slumped to a third consecutive defeat for the first time in more than 10 years and now look certain to end the season without winning a major trophy.

PRETORIA (AFP) - The judge overseeing Oscar Pistorius's murder trial has granted an adjournment from



Thursday afternoon until May 5, citing scheduling concerns raised on behalf of the state. The prosecution, with the backing of the defence, had asked for a delay because an assistant prosecutor is involved on another case and other members of the legal team had planned holidays. Judge Masipa said she and her assessors will use the time to study the hefty record, which runs over 2,000 pages excluding the bail application. The Pistorius murder trial has run far over the originally allotted time of three weeks.



BERLIN (AFP) - Holders Bayern Munich will face Borussia Dortmund in next month's German Cup final after cruising to a 5-1 win over second-division Kaiserslautern in Wednesday's semi-final. Bayern reached their third consecutive domestic cup final by bouncing back from successive Bundesliga defeats to see off Kaiserslautern, who had knocked out top-tier sides Bayer Leverkusen and Hertha Berlin en route to the semis. Goals by Bastian Schweinsteiger, Toni Kroos, Thomas Mueller, Mario Mandzukic and Mario Goetze saw Bayern go through to the May 17 final at Berlin's Olympic Stadium. Bayern, who wrapped up this season's Bundesliga title with a record seven games to spare, will face Dortmund, who shocked Bayern 3-0 in Munich in the league last Saturday, in a repeat of last season's Champions League final.



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SPORTS

Brazil Taekwondo Foundation goes to Mexico for a camp training



ORANJESTAD - This Easter week the coach (Mr. Clifford Rasmijn) and athletes (Jourde Klabér, Zahyon Klabér, Rasheed Lowe) of Brazil Taekwondo Foundation are traveling to Mexico.

Hakeem Lowe who is a candidate for the World Championships in July is hard preparing himself to represent Aruba in Azerbaijan. The camp training will be in Nuevo Leon, Mexico where other Aruban athletes like Sofia and Tiarra Petrocchi, Faushja Hasselhof, Angelo Rodriguez and Stargel de Cuba will also be participating.

Hakeem Lowe, Faushja Hasselhof, Sofia and Tiarra Petrocchi will have their expenses covered by the subsidy committee. All others will have to cover these expenses themselves.

Brazil Taekwondo Foundation believes firmly in their athletes and will go above and beyond for the welfare of their athletes.

Alberto Klabér emphasis more on the preparation of Hakeem Lowe as he wishes to see Lowe reach his goals.

Also preparing for the Spain Open at the end of May is Jourde Klabér y Hakeem Lowe.

NBA: Clippers down Nuggets for club-record 57th



Blake Griffin of the Los Angeles Clippers is fouled as he drives against Denver Nuggets' Kenneth Faried at Staples Center on April 15, 2014 (AFP Photo/Stephen Dunn)

LOS ANGELES (AFP) - The Los Angeles Clippers rolled past Denver 117-105 on Tuesday for a club-record 57th win that kept their hopes of claiming the NBA Western Conference second seed alive.

Blake Griffin had 24 points -- and was assessed his 16th technical foul of the season -- in the victory.

Chris Paul added 21 points and 10 assists for Los Angeles, who must beat Portland on Wednesday, the last night of the regular season, and have the lowly Detroit Pistons beat the Thunder in Oklahoma City to earn the second seed behind San Antonio in the Western Conference playoffs.

DeAndre Jordan scored 13 points and pulled down 16 rebounds for the Clippers, who snapped the Nuggets' three-game winning streak.

Kenneth Faried had 21 points and six rebounds and Timofey Mozgov contributed 18 points and 11 rebounds for Denver.

Griffin was assessed the technical foul with 3:23 left in the second quarter, when he tried to swipe the ball away from a driving Mozgov and hit him in the head.

Griffin's 16th technical of the season will trigger a one-game suspension on Wednesday under NBA rules -- unless league officials overturn the "T" upon review of the play.

Clippers coach Doc Rivers said it would make no difference to his plans, since he wanted Griffin to skip the trip to Portland anyway.

"Worst case, he's suspended for one game," Rivers said. "I'm not going to bring him tomorrow anyway. I want Blake to stay home and get some rest. He's so banged-up."

Rivers was pleased to see his team improve on their previous regular-season record of 56 wins -- set last season before a first-round playoff exit -- but he said the real goal remains a title.

Major Leagues honor Robinson legacy

NEW YORK (AFP) - Baseball celebrated Jackie Robinson on Tuesday, the 67th anniversary of his 1947 Brooklyn Dodgers debut that saw Robinson break the game's color barrier. At major league ballparks across the country, hundreds of players donned Robinson's jersey number 42 -- which was officially retired for all teams in 1997. Major League Baseball Com-

missioner Bud Selig, who came up with the idea of retiring Robinson's number and celebrating the anniversary of his debut, received something of a thank-you gift on Tuesday. He was presented with a number 42 plaque by Jackie Robinson's daughter, Sharon Robinson, at the Major League Baseball Diversity Business Summit in New York. Selig, who will be 80 in July



and plans to retire as commissioner in January of next year, said he was honored to receive the plaque from the family of Robinson, who died in 1972 at the age of 53.

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Bowling Delegation on the way to South American Youth Championship



ORANJESTAD - Recently Aruba's delegation left to the city of Santiago de Chile in two groups; Sub20 & Sub16; where they will be competing in the South American Youth Championship of Bowlin. The championship will be taking place on April 12th to April 18th.

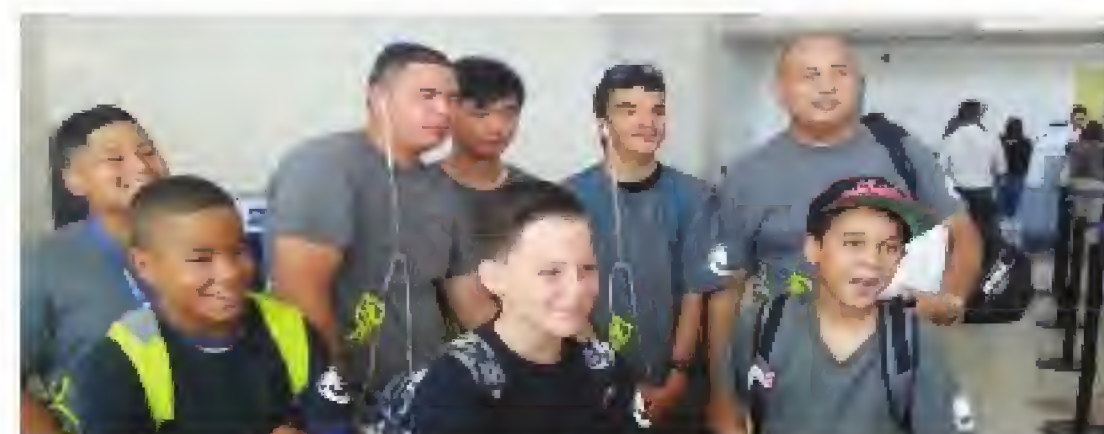
After an intense training with Mr. Jim Porter, the athletes are ready for the challenge. Coach Porter is accompanying the group as their coach.

Aruba will be facing some of the best young bowling players in the southern continent. Countries participating in the tournament are Argentina, Brazil, Colombia, Chile, Peru, Uruguay and Aruba.

Coach Porter visits Aruba regularly to train the youth and adult selection as well as helping our local coaches Mr. Chris Dammers & Mrs. Rita Lopez-Henriquez.

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Ping Pong Carib. Championship



ORANJESTAD As of April 15th the Ping Pong Caribbean Youth Championship, is being held in La Havana, Cuba. Ending April 19th, Aruba's youth selection will be participating in the categories U-15 and U-18.

U-15 selection players include Donald Yarzagaray, Jeandry Mathilda, Jonathan Paredes and Sjoerd Geurtsen. U-18 selection players include Michel Kelly, Jean Pierre Helmeyer y Zhao Xi. Mr. Rudy Ragga will be the coach in charge. A total of 8 countries confirmed their participation at this event. Besides Cuba there will be Aruba, Dominican Republic, Dominica, Jamaica, Grenada, Trinidad & Tobago and Barbados.

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sports athletes. For this reason Lotto supports the financial part so that our athletes can compete, win experience and rank themselves amongst other countries in the region. These younglings are the fu-

ture of our island and we need to support them to improve in the sport.

Lotto & Grant Committee wishes them success in this Caribbean competition.



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EASTER MONDAY BINGO

APRIL 21

Activities starting from 1pm



PROGRESSIVE IS MORE THAN AWG 35.000,-

(if it has not been won first)

Bingo = AWG 15,- per card of 10 games • Progressive = AWG 2,- per card of 6 games

(EASTER PRIZES)

- 5x free bingo cards for the next bingo
- 2X AWG. 50,- cash
- 1x \$25 members card

- 1x \$25 Starbucks
- 2X 2 cinema tickets

Game 1 AWG 200

Game 2 AWG 200

Game 3 AWG 300

Game 4 AWG 300

Game 5 AWG 500

Break

Game 6 AWG 500

Game 7 AWG 750

Progressive

from 51 to 52 calls AWG 500,-

at 53 or more calls AWG 100,-

Game 8 AWG 1.500

- If any game is won with the powerball but not as the last number called, the winner will receive a bonus of \$30 for the first games and \$20 for the last three games.
- If any game is won with the powerball as the last number called, the winner will receive the jackpot.

For more information, please call 583-6000 ext.6318 or ext.6437

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